to be transacted in the province requires so I Cannot beleive L. H. J. the Limitation of them from what they have been will prove in the End Any great Advantage to the Publick.

Possibly the fees Allowed in Virginia may not be so much in Tobacco as those Allowed by us, yet if I am not misinformed the Different value of their Tobacco from ours makes an Ample Amends; However since you Gentlemen the Delegates of the People so Earnestly Desire I would not Dissent to the said Act, I have not, trusting that you your Selves will One Day see Cause to revive and Alter it.

## Gentlemen of the lower House.

I Cannot Omit thanking you in particular for your most Obliging Letter under the hand of Robert Ungle Esq<sup>r</sup> Your very worthy Speaker, And am pleased with the occasion you thereby give me in this Publick Manner of Declaring how Acceptable Any thing is to me which you Apprehend may prove Advantageous to the Staple of Our Countrey.

The great Quantity of Bad Tobacco lately given up to be burnt, whereby his Majesty has been so Considerable a Loser in his Customs Caus'd much Inquiry and Speculation, Untill the Sight of your late Act for preventing the Makeing Trashy Tobacco And for the bettering the Staple of this Province gave hopes that the like would not happen for the future which has Convinced me how much it is for your Advantage that I should be Assisted with men of knowledge and Interest in your Affairs in Order Either to preserve those priviledges you now Enjoy, or in Obtaining Others as Occasion may offer

Gentlemen of the Upper and Lower Houses of Assembly.

It is with great Satisfaction I Observe from your Journalls. that the Condition of the Militia has Imployed your thoughts and I am in hopes the next Sessions will produce such a Regulation therein that (together with the Charge you are Constantly at for Arms and Ammunition) you may not Appear Negligent whilst your neighbours are Takeing so much Care of their preservation, and I am Confident you will find my Lieutenant as Expert in forming Your Forces as you Acknowledge he has been wise and Prudent in the Due Execution of the Civill powers Comitted to his Charge.

Duplicate.

Col<sup>o</sup> Young from the Upper house Delivers M<sup>r</sup> Speaker his Lordship's Dissent to the Act for Limitation of Actions of Trespass and Ejectment with a Copy of his Lordship's Instruction giving reasons for his Dissent thereto; w<sup>th</sup> the

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